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SUBJECT:MESSAGE FROM SWARAN SINGH TO THE SECRETARY

1. FOLLOWING LETTER WAS

PRESENTED TO SECRETARY BY AMBASSADOR KAUL WHEN THEY MET
MARCH 19.

2. QTE: EXCELLENCY, I AM DESIRED BY SARDAR SWARAN SINGH
FOREIGN MINISTER OF INDIA, TO CONVEY THE FOLLOWING
MESSAGE TO YOU.

3. DEAR MR. SECRETARY, I WISH TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR
MESSAGE WHICH WAS DELIVERED TO ME ON 11 MARCH, 1974 BY
YOUR CHARGE D'AFFAIRES IN NEW DELHI. ALTHOUGH I REGRET
THAT YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO VISIT NEW DELHI IN THE
IMMEDIATE FUTURE, I UNDERSTAND THE REASONS WHICH HAVE
DELAYED YOUR TRIP. I DO HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO COME AT
AN EARLY DATE, SO THAT WE CAN EXCHANGE VIEWS ON MATTERS
WHICH ARE OF CONTINUING INTEREST TO BOTH OUR GOVERNMENTS.

4. YOU HAVE SPOKEN IN YOUR MESSAGE ABOUT DURABLE PEACE
IN SOUTH ASIA. THIS IS ALSO OUR OBJECTIVE AND WE ARE
DETERMINED TO PERSEVERE IN OUR EFFORTS TO BRING ABOUT
RECONCILIATION ON THE SUB-CONTINENT. I VERY MUCH HOPE
THE TRIPARTITE MEETING OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF INDIA,
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BANGLADESH AND PAKISTAN EARLY NEXT MONTH WILL BRING US

CLOSER TO THIS GOAL.

5. WE ARE SATISFIED AT THE PROGRESS THAT HAS BEEN ACHIEVED IN BUILDING UP A POSITIVE AND CONSTRUCTIVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INDIA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. I AM CONFIDENT THAT OUR TWO COUNTRIES CAN MAINTAIN THIS TREND IN THE FUTURE AS WELL. I LOOK FORWARD TO OUR WORKING TOGETHER TO PROMOTE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS.

6. WITH WARM REGARDS, YOURS SINCERELY, SD/ SWARAN SINGH.

7. WITH THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST ESTEEM, SD/ T.N. KAUL, AMBASSADOR OF INDIA. KISSINGER

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